

# Rick Santorum

*Backed by media mogul Rupert Murdoch as the "only candidate with genuine big vision" for America*



■ **May 10, 1958:** **Richard John Santorum** born Winchester, Virginia

■ **Education:** Pennsylvania State University, University of Pittsburgh, 1980-81. Law degree from Dickinson School of Law, 1986

■ **Career:** Works for Pittsburgh law firm Kirkpatrick & Lockhart until 1990

■ **Political career:** Represents Pennsylvania in House of Representatives and Senate from 1990 to 2007. Backs fiscal reform and balancing of U.S. budget. Best known for his opposition to abortion, embryonic stem cell research, teaching of evolution in schools, and his abhorrence of homosexuality

■ **Religion:** Devout Catholic

■ **Family:** Marries **Karen Garver** in 1990, couple have seven children